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Applicant : David Ruzic, et al. Art Unit : 1746
Serial No. : 10/628,129 Examiner : Michail Kornakov
Filed : July 24, 2003
Assignee : Intel Corporation
Title : PLASMA-BASED DEBRIS MITIGATION FOR EXTREME
ULTRAVIOLET (EUV) LIGHT SOURCE

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Notice of Allowance Date: February 7, 2007

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed February 7, 2007, enclosed is a completed issue fee transmittal form PTOL-85b.

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS
FOR ALLOWANCE AND STATEMENT OF INTERVIEW

Applicant appreciates the opportunity to have discussed the pending claims with the examiner in a telephone interview on February 2, 2007. In the telephone interview, the applicant's representative and the Examiner discussed claims 1-21, 30-32, and 36. During the interview, applicant elected to prosecute the invention of Group II, claim 9, without traverse. Claims 1-8, 10-21, 30-32, and 36 are canceled.

It is agreed that the limitations recited in the examiner's Reasons for Allowance are not taught or suggested by the art of

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record, and that the allowed independent claim 9 is distinguished from the cited prior art for at least the reasons stated in the Reasons for Allowance. Applicant does not concede that the stated reasons are the only grounds for patentability of the allowed claims, that the limitations excluded from the Reasons for Allowance are taught or suggested by the art of record, or that all of the limitations are necessary for patentability of the allowed claims or other claims directed to the disclosed subject matter. For example, other claims including different limitations are patentable over the cited prior art.

Please apply the required fees in the amount of \$1,700 to our Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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